

Remarks/Arguments

Please enter this preliminary amendment before calculating the filing fee. The original claims were amended to eliminate multiple claim dependency. The claims were amended to put them in U.S. form, etc.

Claims 1 to 27 are pending. Original Claims 1 to 26 have been amended.

The specification has been amended to insert the priority benefit paragraph.

The Abstract has been supplied.

Respectfully submitted,

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Appendix

Abstract of the Disclosure

A process for manufacturing a packaging material from a flexible, multi-layer film-type laminate which contains the following steps: (1) production of the film-type laminate from a plurality of films or layers using a laminating and/or extrusion process, (2) printing on the film or the film-type laminate, and (3) coating at least one free surface of the film-type laminate with a sealing lacquer, and in which the laminating process and/or the extrusion process, the printing (12) and the coating with sealing lacquer (14) all take place in-line at individual stations in a common production device (10), and whereby the printing (12) and the coating with sealing lacquer (14) take place at coating stations (2, 4) using an electrostatic coating process in which coating particles are charged electrostatically and are transferred to the film surface to be coated using transfer means by applying an electric field, and, then, are melted to give a coating film and/or are cured.